**Choice Book Assessment: Question 2**

As you consider the vision of American experience that your book presents, look at how the book grapples with the change in America.

1. **CENTRAL IDEA** – describe in a specific, complex and opinionated statement about the following questions:

* What does your book/author suggests about **change and progress (or lack thereof) in America**?
* You might consider EITHER of the following:
  + how the book represents the past with our society progressing beyond this vision of America.
  + how the book presents a current view of our society, and relate it to some former view of our culture.  
      
    >> type your statement(s) here:

1. **EVIDENCE** – select three pieces of evidence that support your claim about America’s values.

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| **QUOTATION**  Choose three important passages (scattered throughout the book – beginning, middle, end) – be careful in your quotation selection, considering details that help you write strong commentary  Use MLA citation (author page) | **COMMENTARY AND ANALYSIS**  Write a strong analysis that argues the significance of the passage BOTH within the text and that infers the ideas shown beyond the text. *This is not the place for plot recall. Plot recall is not analysis, thus no points.* | **LITERARY/RHETORICAL ANALYSIS**  Describe the author’s use of literary (theme, imagery, foreshadow, etc) OR rhetorical techniques (argumentation) that draw the reader’s attention to important ideas, so you should both name the technique and describe its impact in expressing a key idea |
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